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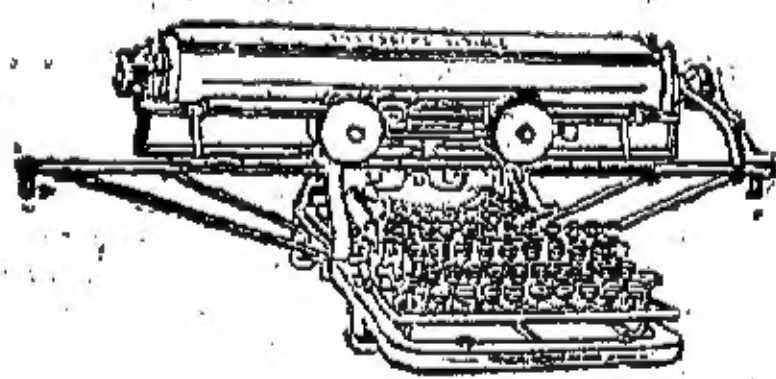
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esteem it a favour if you will let me  
furnish your requirements. My address in  
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(P. O. 2) RAINE IN FINE MAIL GAZETTE.

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East is a fairy world. The blue of it and

the gold of it; the tinkling bells and white

towers of it; the trees with their burden

of flowers and the hot-scented breath of the

earth; the strange wistful shadow-folk with

their child voices and their great wide eyes

of wonder—all give a poignant setting to

life. Everything is so different from the

wont of our sombre days in the old country

that actually mis-thrills. Thus it hap-

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follows month and year speeds after year,

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And some, indeed, slip away, weary of

the carnival, and rest beneath the cypresses

and dream of Home. And the winds are

hushed where they lie, and the leaves most

lovingly shelter them from the sun, and at

night there is a tear in the eye of every

true star for the lonely dead.

WHEN DREAMERS AWAKEN.

The scenery is so brilliant that one misses

the play. But who should marvel at such

a mischance? One does not think in the

East; one only sees. Oh, those thrilling days!

The Dawn leaps into the sky like some fleet

herald with gorgeous banners, bidding the

world awake; and the Day dies in pas-

sionate splendour—a stabbed monarch,

bleeding on his throne, and the very stars of

the heavens are the diamonds which flash

from the dead day's pall. What dreamer pon-

ders over the meaning of his visions before he

awakes? That is why men pass their lives

amongst miracles with laughter on their

lips. But at home there is time for thought,

and that world of flame-shot skies is some-

thing more than a legend of delight. One

feels that for a space one has lingered in

Paradise.

THE HAND INVISIBLE.

To me, now, there comes a vivid memory

of a morning when I rode through the half-

light. On a hill-side, near the great still

water, there stood a young Malay with his

fine face to the dawn. There was a wistful

homage in his eyes, and I understand it

now. The light that filled the sky in a

breath or two must come from somewhere

near at hand. I know now that this boy felt

that, and that he was glancing and glancing

—I am sure of it—in the faith that if he

could only see just a little further, he would

be able to look on the living heart of Nature

itself. All that happens comes swiftly

and with a strange suddenness—like a

chariot through some near gateway. And

there you have the thrilling wonder of the

East. The great winds must be leashed

near by, for in one moment we are in a

land and in the next every giant of the east

is bowing to the storm.

And the Lord of Creation Himself must

be moving amongst the trees. Does not

the toiler work dully when the master is

at his side, and where else in the world is

Nature so ready a husbandman? The

heavens open and the rain covers a parched

land, and little plants spring up in a night

or so, and just as quickly do the great trees

of the mountains burst into bloom. And

Life and Death walk hand in hand like

brothers, and are ever within call. And

we, the sons of men, are but children who

linger in the garden round the Home.

And those who are called pass quickly, for

the Gateway is very near.

Still, the deepest mystery of all is to

come. As we stand gazing upwards, the

clouds are flung aside and light streams

upon the land. But the Hand behind the

loom, falling pall of the night that was, is

unseen. Every hour has its miracles—

wrought almost within touch of us—but

the Hand is ever invisible.

THE SIMILES OF COURT.

Strange to say, the spell of this wonder

of life in death and the nearness of Powers

unknown falls more subtly on the native than

on the White Man. It may be so for the

reason that Knowledge is a bare temple

wrought by living men, while Doubt has

its jewelled shrines in forest glades and on

mist-shad mountain sides. Comes there a

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## Intimations.

Don't Worry! Don't Worry!  
Why Worry?  
CONSULT

**PHAROS,**

The Mystic and Modern Astrologer.

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ABOUT your Business, Health, Pleasures, Friends Abroad, your Love Affairs and  
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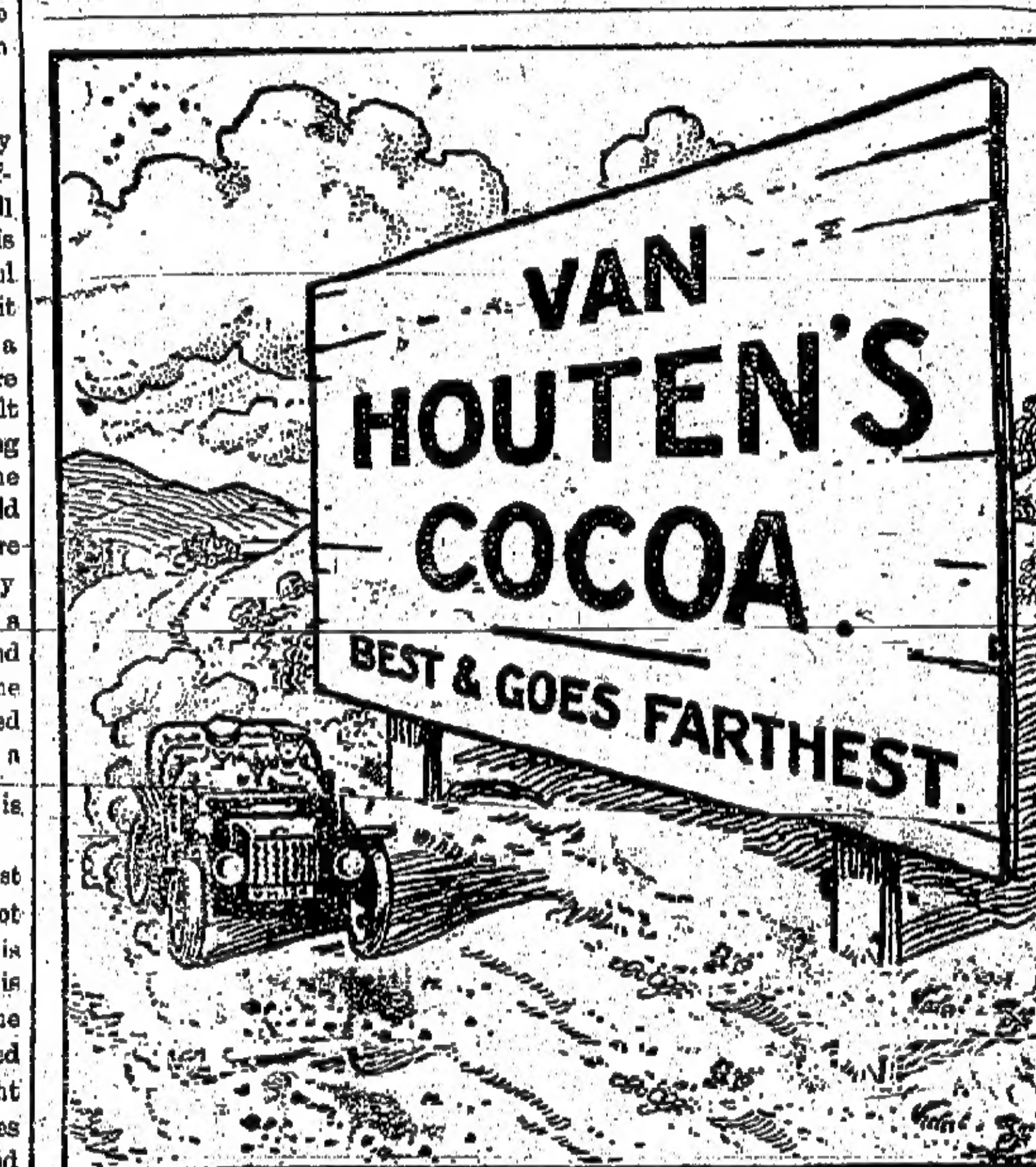
You are anxious to get your son to a business that he will prosper. Will your  
daughter be happy in her married life? You are in love. Have I made a wise choice  
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The Universal Remedy for Acidity of the  
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GEO. P. LAMMERT  
AUCTIONEER.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

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**THURSDAY,**the 25th June, 1908, commencing at  
2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms,  
DUDELL STREET,—A QUANTITY OF  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,Comprising—  
TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM  
SUITE, TEA SERVICE with MIRRORS,  
DINING WAGGON, DINING TABLE, TEA  
WAGGON with REVELL MIRRORS,  
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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IN ONE LOTknown as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9,  
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Cabin Decored.  
Furnish fully equipped, cooking,  
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Electric Light throughout, English An-  
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Auctions.

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CRAB CANES, WOOD BLOCKS, HOSKINS  
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## call in the jungle. An echo, perhaps, we

should name it. Not so the Malay. In

his belief it is one of the Invisible Voice

Folk, and, fascinated, he listens. The

very trees seem to sway while he trembles

beneath the first shock of terror, and listens

and listens. If he hears it again he must

follow, and ever deeper into the heart

of the jungle will call him. As likely as

not, in his tortured mind, he imagines the

form of his name. It comes from quite

near now. One moment it is a sharp cry

of anguish, and, with the next breath, it

is the tremulous whisper of love from a

near thickets. So he springs forward

through the cruel undergrowth—torn,

bleeding, a demented man with blazing

eyes. Then the voice is taken up again a

little distance away: "Oh, Ahn-ah, Ahn-ah!"

and he follows because he must.

He knows that the last day has dawned

for him, and that it is destiny to die. So

at last, beneath heaving skies and rolling

waves Peace comes to him amidst the jungle

flowers.

THE SPIRITS OF WOOD AND STREAM.

And even to us, with our philosophy,

these forests are awesome and mysterious.

Who is there who, at home, while lingering

on lonely down, has not imagined that he

has heard some friend's voice borne to him

on the wind, or while walking through the

dark night has not felt that a comrade is

near? In the East, solitude takes, in

some strange way, a kind of human form;

and thrillingly so in the forest. One

threads one's way along the narrow wind-

ing paths and the very hush has a thrill of

wonder. In that expectant silence, it is as

if all created things are watching one to

judge whether one comes as a friend or

a foe. And very soon does the wanderer

learn that the forest has eyes. No human

being is in sight, but every instinct tells

him that there are watchers on all sides.

And the breath of the forest—was there

anything more lifelike? Of a sudden there

is wafted down the aisles a long-drawn

sigh. Then a pause, and again the sigh.

And more wondrous things happen than

even that. One may hear a silken rustle

coming towards one through the glade—

nearer and nearer it comes, until the very

hushes around one are swept by some robe

unseen, and so it passes, dying fainter and

fainter in the beyond.

Surely, it is small wonder that the

Malay has peopled their woods and

streams with spirit-folk! The jungle just

hems in their homes is the zealous-

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Auction.  
10 p.m.—Auction of Sundry Old and Surplus Naval & Victualling Stores, at H. M. Naval Establishments.  
Miscellaneous.  
Goods per *Goben* undelivered after this date subject to rent.  
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**General Memoranda.**  
WEDNESDAY, June 24.—  
Goods per *America* Mark undelivered after this date subject to rent.  
Goods per *Komang* undelivered after 4 p.m. this date will be landed.  
THURSDAY, June 25.—  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.  
Goods per *Indrapura* not cleared on this date subject to rent.  
SATURDAY, June 27.—  
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MONDAY, June 29.—  
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Goods per *Siberia* undelivered at noon on this date subject to rent.  
Goods per *Glenelg* not cleared on this date subject to rent.  
TUESDAY, June 30.—  
Noon—Auction of Leasehold Property, at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

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**The China Mail**  
HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 22, 1908.  
CHASING THE RAINBOW.  
It would be, of course, a figure of speech, but not altogether an untrue one, to say that all countries of the earth are at present chasing the rainbow of political perfection. This quaint little world of ours, a speck in the solar system, presents the spectacle of millions of men trying to find some political El Dorado. Representative institutions of sorts are in vogue in many lands, but apparently none of them give complete satisfaction. At Home the House of Commons harbours venomous intentions towards the House of Lords—which, to do it justice, nevertheless bears up remarkably well. In democratic America, if America is really more democratic than Great Britain at the present time, there is constant friction between the two Houses which form Congress, and, during the Roosevelt regime, one or both generally have had some disagreement with the President pending. Apart from this the Federal and State authorities are eternally at loggerheads. In France Republican and Monarchical periods follow each other regularly. It is towards the Antipodean Colonies that the eyes of most are turned to watch the

development of what is socialism in all but name. Up to the present time the political experiments which have been tried in Australia and New Zealand have not given the results which were looked for. Arbitration Bills have been passed which were to have entirely done away with strikes and to have induced harmonious relations between employer and employee. They have failed diametrically. The condition that has been brought about is one of armed truce, which, as everyone knows, is worse than open war. Moreover the truce has not been kept. Under stress of strong feeling men still go out on strike in the Antipodes with almost as much alacrity as they did before Arbitration Acts came into existence. State control of railways, and other services which, in most other lands, are left in the hands of private enterprise does not seem to have increased the sum of happiness of the states in which the system has been adopted. Turning then to the South American Republics we find that they are perpetually in turmoil—each state either fighting within itself or waging war against, or resisting aggression from, a neighbour. The Crown Colony system of Government renders here, no doubt, formed their own opinions upon. Look where we will we find that under every system of Government dissatisfaction exists. However, there is no ground for despondency. There is an eternal law that progress is gradual. As the individual finds in maturer years that he has to correct many of the habits he has contracted, so is it with the nation. It has to wean itself from political habits formed in the days of youthful folly. Some nations, like some individuals, take longer to wake up to the necessity of doing this and others never learn. But the general tendency prevails and we may rest content in the belief that, gradually though it may be, the world is steadily getting better.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
The members of the new Infantry Company of Volunteers are to meet their Captain on Friday evening.  
The Board of Finance is considering the raising of the tax on tea and an investigation thereof is now being effected.  
The Board of Civil Administration is reported to be considering the prohibition of the sale of utensils for smoking opium.  
A Japanese was recently killed in Shiba Park, Tokyo, while playing diabolo in consequence of the toy striking him on the forehead.  
At the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, to-night, a variety entertainment, under the presidency of the Rev W. H. Mansdrell, R.N., is to be given.  
Chung Chih-tung has proposed to establish colleges for professional education of eight different branches in the Peking University commencing from the next year.  
In connection with the mutiny of the 3rd Banner troops at Wuhu, a certain officer, Tang Tai-sheng, of that corps was despatched according to military laws at noon of the 16th June.

It appears from a San Francisco message of June 13 to the "Hochi" that there has been another manifestation of anti-Japanese feeling in California. The telegram states that an attack has been made on a Japanese laundry at San Francisco.

The Tokyo "Asahi" of June 11 published the following remarkable statement:—In view of the excess of imports over exports, since last year, the Government is said to have privately instructed the various Departments to avoid as far as possible the purchase of foreign goods.

It is reported from Tokyo that Vice-Admiral Saito, the Naval Minister, left Sasebo for Mako on June 10 for the purpose of examining the condition of the sunken cruiser Matsushima. The question whether an attempt shall be made to refloat the warship will be settled after his investigation.

The "Asahi" and "Mainichi" state that the Japanese War and Naval Departments are about to establish a United Services Club for the purpose of promoting intimate relations between the personnel of the Army and Navy. As an expression of His Majesty's high approval of the scheme, the Emperor has donated the sum of ¥300,000 toward the establishment of the Club.

**CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.**  
This remedy has been in use for over thirty years and has proved itself to be the most successful remedy yet discovered for bowel complaints. It never fails. Sold by all chemists and storekeepers.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
The dredger "St. Enoch," now in use by Messrs. Rinehart Lowther on the new Naval Dock Works has been bought by the Government.

Several of the Korean Provincial Governors have been dismissed from their offices on the ground that they have encouraged Anti-Japanese feeling.

It is reported from Sasebo that a Japanese bluejacket died of bubonic plague at the naval barracks there on the 10th. The barracks have been disinfected and isolated.

George Murray, an Engineer, had to pay a fine and compensation of \$17 at the Magistracy to-day, for being drunk in the Civil Service Club, and breaking some flower pots and assaulting an Indian constable.

It is reported that upon arrival yesterday the steamer *Siberia* was ordered into quarantine owing to a suspicious case of illness having developed during the voyage to this port.

A Chienmuo paper learns from Tai-cheng that a plan is mooted there for the installation of telephones and that the head of the local Post Office will shortly apply to the Communications Bureau subject to the approval of the Japanese Colony.

Shortly after nine o'clock this morning a Chinese tailor was picked up opposite No. 900 Des Vaux Road, in an unconscious state, and was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, he having presumably fallen from one of the windows of the house.

At about 3 o'clock on June 8, a thunderbolt fell on a house in Uchitruni, Mito district, in Kobe Prefecture, two men and a woman being injured. One of the men was not much hurt, but it is feared that the other man and the woman will succumb to their injuries.

A Korean paper says that there seems to be an epidemic of suicide by smoking in Kwan-Chung-tung within three days, two natives committed suicide by that means, and near Chongtong another man tried to commit suicide by opium smoking but was unsuccessful in his attempt.

A London cable to the "Nichi Nichi" quotes the "Daily Mail" as stating that Sir Walter Hillier's appointment is due to the growing financial relations of China with England and the growing tension between Peking and Tokyo. China is represented as being increasingly suspicious of Japanese intentions.

Mr Justice Gompertz gave judgment at the Supreme Court, this morning, for the plaintiff, Chan Shau U who claimed from the defendant, Mek Man Hing, the sum of \$360 being money due under a promissory note. Mr C. E. H. Bevis, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist appeared for the plaintiff, and the defendant appeared in person.

The trial has concluded at Osaka of two Japanese merchants, Miho Genpachi, of Kusunoki-sho 7-chome, Kobe, and Yamashiro Tamesuke, Hon-nachi, 3-chome, Fusan, Korea, on charges of having smuggled 1,080 cwt. of opium from Fusan, Korea, in a fishing boat, near Sakai, Settsu province. According to the "Asahi," one of the accused was fined ¥302,400.

The "Japan Advertiser" has received the following New York telegram dated June 11: Princeton University has conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on Baron Takahira, Japanese Ambassador at Washington. In a speech made on the occasion of the ceremony of conferring the degree, Baron Takahira gave his personal pledge that the "open door" would be maintained in Manchuria.

It is reported from Nikko, says the "Kobe Herald" of June 11, that the search for the body of Colonel Martini, who was drowned in Lake Chuzenji under circumstances already reported, has so far ended in failure. On June 9 Mr Suzuki, of the Yokosuka Naval Dockyard, acting under instructions from the Admiralty, arrived with diving apparatus, and search operations were to commence from June 10. Later information shows that the search has been abandoned.

It is reported from Murozan, Hokkaido, Japan, that at 7 p.m. on the 7th a thunder storm, followed by rain, took place in that district. The Akagawa consequently flooded its banks, with the result that six houses were washed by a landslide and six others were washed away, while over a hundred were submerged. Five persons lost their lives, four others being injured. It is feared that much damage has been done to the crops.

**INSPECTOR WARNOCK RETIRES.**

To-day Inspector W. G. Warnock, one of the most efficient members of the police force, officially severed his connection with that body after a splendid service of twenty-two years. The good wishes of his numerous friends will be with him in his well-earned retirement on pension. Inspector Warnock leaves by the English Mail Arcadia on the 26th of this month.

**SPRAINS QUICKLY CURED.**  
BATHING the parts freely with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and give them absolute rest, and quick cure is certain. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

## CHINA AND HER PEOPLE.

The unwisdom of the Chinese Government in taking over at the present time the system of telegraphs which now covers the provinces with a network of communication is a leading topic of discussion and criticism in Chinese society. It is probable that if the Imperial authorities had not, in a way thoroughly characteristic of the Peking Administration, sought to render reasons, public opinion would still have been strongly adverse to what is generally looked upon as an illustration of the policy of confiscation. In any event reasons for giving up profitable investments at what to most of those concerned, must needs appear, the arbitrary dictum of the ruling authorities, are not likely to appeal as cogent or convincing to people who stand to lose by the transaction.

The Chinese Government is about to follow what we believe is the usual Western practice in matters of forced sale. It purposes to compensate shareholders by repaying the full value of their shares with an additional seven per cent. No one can deny that such a method of transfer is significant of a vast change in the relations of the ruling power and the governed people. The bad old days when Oriental Governments, not excepting that which held sway in China, took what they wanted on their own terms, without much regard to sources or origins, or claims of any kind, are passed. Public opinion in China has become too powerful for the old methods of oppression on the widest scale, where all sorts and conditions of the population would suffer. Furthermore the dissemination of public opinion through an enlightened press becomes every day a more potent factor in determining policy. Most persons will, we think, agree that the forced transfer of telegraphs to the Chinese Government is high-handed. There is a strong tendency to attribute the desire to possess them to the fact that they have proved remunerative and it is freely stated that the Government cannot leave possible sources of revenue unexploited. This is the aspect of the situation that will militate strongly against railway, mining and other investments for which there is at the present time pressing necessity in order to assist in the development of the country. Public confidence is weakened, the intelligent sympathy of the most advanced men is alienated, and the fear uttered or unexpressed is wide-spread that the Government will hereafter when mining and railway schemes are seen to be profitable enter upon possession without proper regard to the rights of original shareholders.

At the present juncture when a good understanding is of the first importance to the state it is deplorable that the minds of the people should be further alienated by an unwise interference which is looked upon by many as little better than uncalculated despotism.

**RECOVERY OF MONEY LENT.**  
An action for the recovery of \$10,000, being money lent by the plaintiff, Chen Ho Shi alias Chey Sup Sze Tai to the defendants, Wa Wing Hong bank and Chan Tin Po a partner therein, came before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, at the Supreme Court to-day.

Mr M. Slade, instructed by Mr F. B. Deacon, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, appeared for the plaintiff and the defendant was unrepresented.

Mr Slade said that he had just received a letter from Messrs Hastings and Hastings, the solicitors for the defendant stating that the defendant was not coming to Hongkong for the trial and it could therefore serve no useful purpose their attending. Continuing, Mr Slade said the defendant had not filed any defence. The action was one for money lent.

Evidence was then called and His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

## PUBLIC DISPENSARIES.

There is some uneasiness among the Chinese in the Colony with regard to the present management of the Public Dispensaries, and it is reported that the resignation of Mr Lau Chu Pak was the result thereof. It is stated among the Chinese that the intention of the establishment of the Public Dispensaries under the management of street committees was with a view to co-operate with the Chinese in order to enforce sanitation in the Colony and to stop the evil practice of dumping the dead in public thoroughfares. They were also intended to minimise to the greatest possible extent trouble which would otherwise have risen in the event of the occurrence of a plague case, and to render all necessary assistance. It appears that for unaccountable reasons the street committees are now required to hold themselves responsible for dead bodies dumped and are reproved for their inability to give fuller information. If our informants are correct, it is hardly to the interests of the Colony that a departure from the original intention should have taken place. We have pointed out on more than one occasion that to cope with the plague recurrence nothing is better than to co-operate with the Chinese. What is being done by those responsible is, it is reported, very much against the feelings of the street committees and it will not be surprising that they all resigned to protest against the action of the Government some day.

YOU need a good nerve tonic. Take Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil.

## FRANCE AND CHINA.

Native papers report on the negotiations now proceeding in Peking, between France and China, arising out of the shooting disaster on the Yunnan-Annam boundary that there is a disposition on the part of China to meet, with two important exceptions, all the demands of the aggrieved nation. If intelligence from Chinese sources is to be credited these include, in addition to the most exemplary punishment of two military officials who are held to be directly responsible; mining concessions in Yunnan, and railway construction in the same province. It is expected that these concessions will be granted without much demur. That the degradation of the Viceroy is still insisted upon does not, if the statements on the point are true, strike the average Western mind at all favourably. To insist, as far as insistence is possible, on Western methods where these are available in negotiation is, we think, desirable and laudable. To do this, whilst at the same time upholding, in the bye ways of expediency, the old-time devices of the Chinese Government by which responsibility under quite impossible conditions, is devolved on men who could not on any fair showing be held to have incurred it seems, to say the least, highly inconsistent. This is one of the features of Government in China which added enlightenment will tend to abolish. It is not for Western nations to appeal to those ideas of right and justice which in the Oriental mind are ideas only and the working out of which confounds the most elementary notions of right and wrong, of justice and injustice. The charges against the Viceroy of Yunnan in this matter appear to be those of giving misleading information to the Imperial Government, he having first declared that the rebels and not Chinese regular soldiery fired upon the French and afterwards, when further pressed from the seat of Government to make a thorough and clear investigation and report on all the facts, he is said to have procrastinated and withheld important particulars. If these allegations be true this high official merits punishment and the French Ambassador will have public opinion on his side in the endeavour to secure that the present Viceroy be dealt with according to his deserts leaving however, out of the question, shadowy and unsubstantial responsibilities attaching to the mere fact of holding office in the province where the events complained of took place.

## REAR-ADMIRAL STOKES.

**Promotion of a Popular Commodore.**

We are pleased to be able to announce the promotion of Commodore R. H. S. Stokes to the rank of Rear-Admiral. The news arrived in the Colony yesterday morning and the promotion takes effect from the 15th of this month. Commodore Stokes has been in Hongkong as Commodore since April of last year but previous to that he served on the China station for three years and a half as Captain of the *Edipus*. Admiral Stokes made many friends for himself in China. He has the genial, robust character that has made the British navy what it is to-day, and now that he has attained the rank that must loom before all young officers in the Navy there are large numbers who will be eager to offer congratulations.

The promotion is deserved, for Rear-Admiral Stokes has a splendid record. Last year he became entitled to the Good Service Pension after 36 years' service. He joined the Navy as a cadet on April 13, 1869, and was promoted to be Sub-Lieutenant on July 20, 1875; Lieutenant on December, 1879; Commander on January 1, 1883, and Captain on January 1, 1890. His appointment as Commodore came on March 5, 1907, and he came to Hongkong to take up the duties of the post in April of the same year. Rear-Admiral Stokes' acquaintance with China commenced in 1891 when he came out on the *Edipus*, and he remained here till 1894.

During that time he saw no active service here, but he has seen phases of war in other parts of the world. As Lieutenant of the *Euphrates* he was concerned in the Egyptian war in 1882 and gained the Egyptian medal and the Khedive's bronze star. While Commander of H. M. S. Royal Arthur, flagship of Admiral H. F. Stephenson, C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Station, 1893-4 and previous to the occupation of Corinto, Nicaragua, by the British Naval forces in April, 1895, he was deputed to proceed to Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, and deliver to the Government of that Republic despatches from the Right Hon. the Earl of Kimberley, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and Rear Admiral Stevenson. For these services he received the approval of the Admiralty.

No doubt Rear-Admiral Stokes, in accordance with the usual practice, will remain here for another month or two and then proceed to England. It is not known yet who has been appointed as Commodore to succeed Rear-Admiral Stokes.

## BE ON THE SAFE SIDE.

YOUR physician may be busy or out of town just at the time some member of your family has an attack of colic or diarrhoea. Such cases frequently prove fatal before a doctor can be summoned or medicine procured. No physician can prescribe a better medicine than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It has been in use for more than a third of a century and has never been known to fail. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.



## AMERICAN POLITICS.

## THE VICE-PRESIDENCY.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, June 22.  
The Republican Convention at Chicago has adopted Congressman Sherman, of New York, as candidate for the Vice-Presidency of the United States.

Mr Sherman was the nominee of the Taft party.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

## MR ROOSEVELT'S OPINIONS.

LONDON, June 19.  
The Chicago Convention adopted Mr Taft by 702 votes out of 978, and his nomination for the Presidency was then made unanimous.

A roll-call of the States nominating other candidates was continuously interrupted until Ohio was reached, when Mr Taft's name was received with tremendous enthusiasm. Pennsylvania cast three votes for Mr Roosevelt though he was not nominated.

President Roosevelt, interviewed at Washington, said the country was to be congratulated on its choice. He had known Mr Taft intimately for years, and thought that no man was so well fitted to be President. Mr Taft had the same ideals and purposes as himself, and was absolutely fearless, disinterested and upright.

LONDON, June 19.  
In consequence of his nomination for the presidency of the United States, Mr Taft has resigned his portfolio as Secretary for War, and is succeeded by Mr Luke Wright, member for Tennessee.

## A LITTLE BREEZE.

## The Moroccan Problem.

LONDON, June 19.  
Advices from Paris report a heated debate in the French Chamber on Moroccan affairs, in the course of which M. Fichon, Minister of Foreign Affairs, indignantly repudiated the suggestion of M. Jaures that Germany was dictating France's action. The French Government, he said, was co-operating with the powers, and taking advantage of the growing pacification of the country to evacuate gradually. Abdul Aziz was still the legitimate Sultan, and it was impossible to recognize M. Haidi Haidi whose programme was a holy war against the Europeans. The Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 345 to 126.

## GERMANY'S ISOLATION.

## Remarks by the Kaiser.

LONDON, June 19.  
Considerable stir, and even anxiety, has been caused by the alleged remarks of the Kaiser at a review in the presence of foreign military attaches in the course of which he is reported to have said that Germany seems to be separated from the powers; that they are trying to exclude her, and bring her to bay; but that all might come for Germany was ever ready.

A semi-official article in the Nord-deutsche declares that His Majesty was mis-reported, but admits as a fact that in the course of remarks addressed to his own officers, he expressed the conviction that the army was true to the spirit of Frederick the Great, and that it would continue equal to all tasks, the subject under discussion being merely service and military matters and not political questions.

The journal adds that it is useless for Germany to shut her eyes to possible dangers, especially in view of the uncertainty as to whether the new grouping of the powers will render solutions of current questions less easy. It also complains bitterly of the constant misrepresentation of Germany as a disturbing factor in Turkey, Persia, Afghanistan, the Far East, and elsewhere.

## HE WENT TO LIE DOWN.

"I was under the influence of drink and I went to lie down," was the excuse of a defendant, at the Marine Court, to-day, when he was charged with refusing to do his work on the s.s. Jupiter. However, the Hon. Commander, Basil Taylor, R.N., sentenced him to two week's hard labour.

## AN AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL TRAVELLER'S STORY.

It is the commercial traveller who finds the many changes of climate and water trying. Mr Otho G. Chapman, who represents a large Brisbane concern, had been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. On one of his trips a fellow traveller recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and this is what he says of it: "I procured a bottle and experienced great relief after taking a few doses. Before the bottle was finished I was cured and have not been troubled since. This remedy is for sale by all chemists and storekeepers."

## PRESS AND PARLIAMENT.

## THE ITALIAN DIFFICULTY.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, June 22.

A telegram from Rome states in reference to the recent altercation between pressmen and a member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies which led to the press boycotting Parliament, that, as a result of an interview with the President of the Chamber, the pressmen have returned to their duties.

Deputy Santini, whose altercation with Deputy Parziani originated the whole trouble, has challenged the latter gentleman to a duel.

## THE IMPERIAL CHINESE TELEGRAPHS.

## SHANGHAI SHAREHOLDERS RESOLUTE.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

SHANGHAI, June 21.

In view of the decision of the Throne to purchase the shares from the merchants in the Imperial Chinese Telegraph Administration a meeting of shareholders was held at the Yu Gardens here and the following resolutions were passed as an antagonistic step:

1.—The decision of the late Marquis Li Heng Chang that the Telegraph Company shall be a mercantile concern must be adhered to.

2.—The extension of the telegraph service shall be carried out by an increase in capital.

3.—It has been agreed that the rate for telegraphing be reduced by one-third.

4.—A committee be appointed to contradict the memorial sent to the Throne by the Board of Posts and Communications.

The above resolutions are to be telegraphed to the Board of Posts and Communications.

A Committee of five persons has been appointed to inform the Peking Government that their decision to buy up the shares is strongly objected to.

PEKING, June 21.

The Board of Posts and Communications understands that Shung Kung owns the largest number of shares in the Telegraphs and has decided to recall 1000 shares from him at the rate of Taels 170 per share, in order to put the decision of the Throne into effect.

## THE AMERICAN FLEET.

## RECEPTION ARRANGEMENTS IN AMOY.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, June 21.

Admiral Sab has been instructed to proceed to Amoy to make arrangements with Tsoai Liu for the reception of the American fleet.

## REPAIRING A STEAMER.

Wan Wong, trading as Ah Wong, sued Thomas Schjervig, at the Supreme Court, this morning, for \$325.85 for work done and materials supplied.

Mr Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr A. G. Jackson, of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master, defended. Mr Otto Kong Sing said the defendant had gone to the plaintiff, who was a contractor, with regard to some work which wanted doing to the s.s. Progress. Plaintiff went to the steamer and the captain pointed out certain work which plaintiff subsequently executed.

Evidence was then called.

His Lordship reserved his decision.

## FESTIVAL OF CORPUS CHRISTI.

To commemorate the festival of Corpus Christi which fell on Thursday, a special two hours' Service was held at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, early yesterday morning. His Lordship, Bishop Pozzoni officiated at the High Mass celebration, when Holy Communion was administered for the first time to a very large number of boys and girls. This was followed by a general confession in which close on a thousand people took part. The Bishop delivered a touching address to the boys and girls.

In the presence of a very large congregation, in the evening, a procession took place, accompanied by the Band of the Societa Philharmonica. The Rev. Father Poletti delivered an eloquent address after which a special Te Deum was sung by the full choir.

The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion and the service concluded with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, by the Lord Bishop.

## HOME CRICKET.

## MIDDLESEX AND SUSSEX BEATEN.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, June 22.

Yorkshire beat Middlesex at Lord's by three wickets.

Northampton beat Derby at Northampton by an innings and 46 runs.

Leicestershire beat Sussex at Leicester by six wickets.

Surrey defeated Cambridge University by four wickets at the Oval.

Worcester beat Hampshire at Worcester by two wickets.

Lancashire beat Warwickshire at Birmingham by five wickets.

Kent beat Essex at Tonbridge by 124 runs.

The results of the matches given above have made a great difference in the table of points which is published below. Yorkshire, by defeating Middlesex, sent the Metropolitan team down to sixth place, below the champions, while Leicestershire's surprising victory over Sussex has put C. B. Fry's eleven down to fourth place, leaving the Tykes as the only unbeaten County to date.

Surrey is now second, with a percentage of 77.77. The University match having no bearing upon the competition, and Kent is third. Leicester, Worcester and Northants have each moved up a trifle, but Hampshire has gone down three places. Yorkshire and Lancashire were the only two counties to win away from home, Kent, Leicestershire, Worcester and Northampton being successful on home grounds. Yorkshire are now playing Warwickshire and of the last three matches played between these two counties two have been drawn and Yorkshire won the third.

The following is the County Cricket Competition table up to date:—

County.	Wons.	Draws.	Losses.	Points.	Per-centage.
Yorkshire (2).....	8	0	3	8 + 100.00	
Surrey (4).....	8	1	4	7 + 77.77	
Kent (9).....	5	1	4	6 + 66.66	
Sussex (13).....	3	1	6	2 + 20.00	
Nottingham (1).....	3	1	2	2 + 50.00	
Middlesex (5).....	2	1	2	1 + 33.33	
Worcester (2).....	3	2	0	1 + 20.00	
Lancashire (6).....	4	4	1	0 + 0.00	
Leicestershire (11).....	4	2	1	14.28	
Northampton (12).....	3	4	1	14.28	
Hampshire (15).....	2	3	1	20.00	
Essex (7).....	1	3	2	50.00	
Somerset (14).....	1	1	5	71.42	
Derby (4).....	1	7	1	85.71	
Warwick (9).....	0	5	2	100.00	
Gloucestershire (10).....	0	4	2	100.00	

## A BATCH OF CERTIFICATES.

Good hitting was shown during the matches in the County Competition which commenced in England on May 18 and 21.

Against Somerset Sussex completed 445 by good all-round batting, no individual century being obtained. M. C. C. and Gloucester secured 402 for nine wickets against Worcestershire, and Nottingham scored 396 for seven wickets against Leicestershire. The best individual performances with the bat were:—

A. Marshall, for Surrey v. Worcester.....	178
H. K. Foster, for Worcester v. Surrey.....	174
J. T. Tyldesley, for Lancs. v. Northants.....	168
L. Llewellyn, for M. C. C. v. Worcester.....	154
G. Gunn, for Nottingham v. Leicestershire.....	144
F. L. Rowley, for Worcester v. Surrey.....	133
F. C. Clegg, for Leicestershire v. Nottingham.....	119
J. Hardstaff, for Nottingham v. Leicestershire.....	104

The best bowling performances were as follows:—

W. Brearley, Lancs. v. Northants, 7 for 48.....	42
E. H. Killick, Sussex v. Somerset, 7 for 42.....	42
T. Wass, Nottingham v. Leicestershire, 6 for 68.....	68
Thompson, M. C. C. v. Worcester, 6 for 67.....	67
S. Haigh, Yorks. v. Kent.....	24

## ALLEGED MURDER AT WEST POINT.

The three men who were arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the death of a Chinaman, who, it is alleged, was pushed over the edge of a verandah, in Des Vaux Road West, one day last week, came before Mr Wood at the Magistrate's court this afternoon.

Inspector W. Robertson conducted the prosecution, assisted by Mr M. J. D. Stephens, and Mr Otto Kong Sing represented one of the prisoners.

Inspector Robertson asked that the prisoner, who was represented by Mr Otto Kong Sing, be discharged, as there was no evidence against him.

He was discharged by the Magistrate. Dr J. Bell, of the Government Civil Hospital, was the first witness called. He said that on the evening of the 16th a Chinaman was brought to the hospital. He was unconscious and died almost immediately. He had numerous injuries.

Other witnesses testified to deceased's movements on his arrival from Canton, and going to the house of the prisoners to renew a mortgage deed. The first prisoner asked deceased to go to No 215 Des Vaux Road West, where he would borrow \$300. They then went upstairs, and after half an hour had elapsed deceased and a stranger came down again and the stranger spoke to one of the witnesses who was standing at the bottom of the stairs. The deceased and the stranger went upstairs again and about ten minutes later deceased fell from the verandah on the third floor, knocking up against some bamboo poles which were on the second floor. Prisoners were then arrested.

The case was adjourned.

## THE NEW S. S. HAN PING.

## OFFICIAL TRIAL TRIP.

A new steamer, two hundred and fifteen feet in length, thirty-six feet broad, with a depth of thirteen feet six inches, the largest so far built by Messrs W. Bailey and Co. and probably the biggest vessel ever built at Hongkong, with a displacement of 1,500 tons, and a two inch stroke, compound surface condensing engines of 1432 horse power, working up to 140 lbs to the square inch, producing a speed of over nine knots per hour, such is the s.s. Han Ping, which underwent a most successful official trial trip over the Admiralty course on Saturday afternoon.

The Han Ping is a twin screw steamer, constructed to the Board of Trade rules, and takes a draft of ten feet six inches. The engines are situated aft, the boiler being 15 feet long with a diameter of 11 ft. The arrangement of the engines gives ample space for the rapid and easy loading and unloading of the cargo, for which she was particularly designed by Mr Wong Kwong, namely heavy steel plates, and she will carry a weight of close on 1,000 tons. Two immense derricks, each capable of lifting fifteen tons, which the Han Ping carries, will be of the utmost service in this respect. The crew will consist of some twenty-five officers and men.

The captain's and officers' quarters are situated on the bridge, while on the deck immediately below are the staterooms, dining room, domestic office, and bath-room.

The Han Ping was built to the order of the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Company. She is also to carry a specially constructed steam launch, by the same designer and builders for river purposes at Hankow.

The official trial trip took place, as stated, on Saturday afternoon, over the Admiralty Course, and during the run over the measured mile both with and against the current the Han Ping successfully maintained a speed of over nine knots per hour, nine knots being the contract speed.

Some delay was occasioned in leaving the works on account of the anchor chain having got crossed on the bows, and in consequence the party did not return to Hongkong until after ten o'clock.

Amongst those present were Mr W. S. Bailey and Mr E. O. Murphy representing the builders, Mr Wong Kwong representing the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Company, Captain T. P. Hall, Captain Murray, Captain Crowe, Mr H. L. Fletcher, Lloyd's Surveyor, Mr N. S. Mosses, Mr R. Hanson, Mr T. Ramsey, Captain Ingram, captain of the ship, Mr A. L. Sutton, Mr J. A. Ross and Mr Lindberg, Dr Ho Nai Chuen, Dr Au Sze Chan, Messrs Au Sze Chan, Ngan Hang Po, Ho Que Hou, Ho Pak Ki, Wan Ho, Koon Fan, Ng Kai, Lo Yau Cheung, Chan Dai Cho, Ng Ching, and the clerical staff of Messrs Bailey's.

Upon the return to the works, the party assembled in the saloon of the steamer, where Mr Bailey formally announced the handing over of the vessel to Mr Wong Kwong, the representative of the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Co.

Mr Bailey, who was received with applause, said that he had first of all to thank them for attending the trial trip of that steamer. He was sorry that they had been kept so late as he was sure that on a Saturday night as well as other evenings, the Chinese gentlemen as well as the Europeans, had something better and more agreeable to do than attending the trial trip of a steamer. However, they would not doubt be pleased to know that the vessel had attained the contract speed of nine knots per hour, and had been accepted by Mr Wong Kwong on behalf of the owners, the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Co. He must say it was with some pride Mr Murphy and himself looked back upon the work of the ship and its satisfactory completion; after working under considerable difficulties. At the time when the order was placed with them, they had as their chief draughtsman, Mr Wong Kwong, who had certainly been a great factor in any success which they had made. Since they had started in business, some eight years ago, Mr Wong Kwong had been with them for over seven years of that period, and his leaving them to join the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Company had caused them considerable trouble both with that ship and with other work which they had in hand at the time. Last year, during which that vessel had been in the course of construction, was a record one for their firm. They turned out seventeen vessels (applause), which placed them so that they ranked fifth in the turn-out of vessels amongst the firms in Greater Britain. In addition to turning out the seventeen vessels, they had also several large contracts in hand for oil tank installation and other considerable work on shore. Throughout the progress of that work the disengagement of their draughting office by the departure of Mr Wong Kwong, in whom they had always the utmost confidence, and to whom they always depended and looked for support, was a very serious matter indeed to them, so that under the circumstances they might justly feel proud of having turned out the vessel which they saw that day. They had tried to do their very utmost, and had done their utmost to give entire satisfaction to the owners regardless of expense, and it was a great pleasure to meet them there that day and to hear the very complimentary remarks which had been made with regard to the workmanship and finish of the vessel. He hoped that that vessel would not be the last of the heavy ships which they would get to build. That vessel was the heaviest of her class which had been built in the Colony. It was a twin screw lighter of

1,500 tons displacement with a cargo capacity of some 800 tons and he thought they might justly be proud of having satisfactorily completed a vessel of that size, and he also thought they would agree with him that the completion of such a vessel was an index to the development of China, especially when they considered that it had been practically designed by a Chinese gentleman, Mr Wong Kwong and built to the order of the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Company which was practically a Chinese concern. He had no doubt that with the development of China, they would have an ample field for progress in that direction, namely in lighters, tug boats and ships for the Canton and Delta and neighbourhood, many successful examples of which they had already turned out. He would not detain them longer but could not close without a word of praise to his good partner Mr Murphy, to whose unremitting attention and ability that vessel had been so satisfactorily completed, and he was sure they would join him in wishing soon to see the keel laid down of a much larger vessel for that very enterprising and well managed concern the Hang Yang Iron and Steel Works Company, and he would ask them to drink with him success to the good ship Han Ping coupled with the name of Mr Wong Kwong. (Applause.)

The toast was heartily received.

Mr Wong Kwong, who had a good reception, said that at the conclusion of such a successful trial trip of the steamer Han Ping he had much pleasure in stating on behalf of the owners that the vessel had been constructed in an efficient manner, and he took that opportunity of tendering their congratulations to the builders, Messrs Bailey and Co. He believed that that vessel was the largest that had yet been built in Hongkong or in China, for classification at A 1 Lloyd's Register, and he very much appreciated the work which had been carried out by the builders to fulfil the requirements of the owners. That vessel was specially designed and constructed for giving facilities for the rapid loading and unloading of cargo and heavy machinery giving a clear space of over 90 feet so that there would be ample space for the large plates of steel which were turned out at the steel works. Throughout the construction of that vessel, Lloyd's surveyors, Messrs Lambert and Fletcher gave great care and attention to the work and the owners were under a great obligation to them. He asked them to rise and drink to the success of the builders, who, in addition to the construction of that vessel, had turned out a smart launch for his firm which they were going to put on this boat for use at Hankow. He coupled with the toast the name of Mr Murphy. (Applause.)

The toast was enthusiastically drunk. Mr Murphy thanked them for the remarks which had been made as regards the construction of the vessel. It had taken a long time to bring it to that stage, and he was sure they would be pleased that it was finished, as he knew the builders were. (Laughter and applause.) They sometimes grumbled because the owners wanted this and that, but there was nothing in the market but what the builders were as keen as anyone else. The boat as it stood was a type which would be most useful for the purpose for which it was designed, and Mr Wong Kwong was the gentleman who had worked out the designs of that particular boat, and the launch which had been referred to, had also been designed by Mr Wong Kwong. That was a great improvement on the ordinary Hongkong launch. Its length was only 62 feet but it had the appearance of being 82 feet. It also has an amount of accommodation and averaged a speed of 10.8 knots per hour which was a quarter of a knot over the contract speed. He thanked them for coupling his name with the toast. (Applause.)

The toast was duly honoured.

The party then left for Hongkong in launches.

The Han Ping is to be commanded by Captain G. Ingram, of Shanghai, a well-known northern skipper. During the trial the steamer was under Captain Murray.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 21st at 6.15 p.m.—Depression E. of Formosa, probably moving northwards. On the 22nd at 11.35 a.m.—The barometer has fallen moderately over S.W. Japan, the Loochoos and the E. coast of China, and risen slightly over Formosa and the Philippines.

The depression, which is shallow, has moved northwards. It lies now between N. Formosa and the Loochoos. Another depression, which will probably move towards N.E., has appeared over the Yangtze valley. Pressure remains high over the Pacific between E. Japan and the Bonins. It is still somewhat low over the N.W. part of the China Sea.

Moderate to fresh S. and S.W. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh E. winds along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.41 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: S.E. winds fresh; squally showers.

2.—Formosa Channel: S. to S.W. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: S.E. and S. winds, moderate.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

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## SPORTING.

## Rifle Shooting.

A number of Volunteers, on arrival at King's Park Range yesterday morning, were astonished to find that no arrangements had been made for the shoot for the Crick Cup, Engineers Company, which was to have taken place. Captain Crick was present but there were no targets or markers available, and several members threatened to resign.

## Lawn Bowls.

The weather was very fine on Saturday afternoon, when a lawn bowls match between the Police Bowling Club and the Civil Service Bowling Club was played at Happy Valley, and resulted in a win for the Civil Service by 24 to 74.

The scores are as follow:—  
Civil Service—No. 1 rink—R. Hudson, A. Carter, R. Duncan and J. A. Wheel (skip), 19. Police—No. 1 rink—P. C. Ogg, J. Quinn, Sgt. Pitt and Insp. Cameron (skip), 19.

Civil Service—No. 2 rink—E. W. Dawson, A. Blowsy, A. M. Thornhill and L. E. Brett (skip), 31. Police—No. 2 rink—Sgt. Watt, Insp. Hanson, P. C. Glendinning and Insp. Ritchie (skip), 14.

Civil Service—No. 3 rink—W. H. Woolley, C. W. Brett, R. Fenton and M. Melver (skip), 9. Police—No. 3 rink—P. O. Bell, Sgt. Kent, P. C. McLennan, and Insp. Robertson (skip), 24.

Civil Service—No. 4 rink—A. G. Pile, P. R. Adams, C. Bond, and W. H. Kelly (skip), 35. Police—No. 4 rink—Insp. Langley, A. Hill, Insp. McHardy and Insp. Withers (skip), 13.

## NORTH RIVER IN FLOOD.

## Great Disasters Befal Inhabitants.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Information has reached here that great disasters brought about by the flood in the north river localities have befallen the inhabitants. River banks have been carried away by the waters and damage to property and life is reported to be extensive. Along Samshui and Tsing Yin, the lower districts are inundated. Many collapses of houses have occurred and numerous inhabitants have been rendered homeless. The local authorities here are approached for relief.

The Sin Hsu Kuek has been instructed to despatch two steam launches to the vicinity to afford relief and has done so.

The reports about the miseries suffered by those whose houses have been carried away by the tide are thrilling.

The charitable institutions here have taken steps to give relief.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Reports from Fushun, Winkow, Sunshui and places beyond state that the flood has, during the past two days, risen another two feet, while in Tsing Yin district, it is ten feet above the nominal level and as a consequence great damage has been done. It has rendered navigation most dangerous, the current being very strong. Similar reports have come from Shaohekong whose city gate has been closed to prevent the city from being inundated.

## AT WUCHOW.

## One Hundred Persons Drowned.

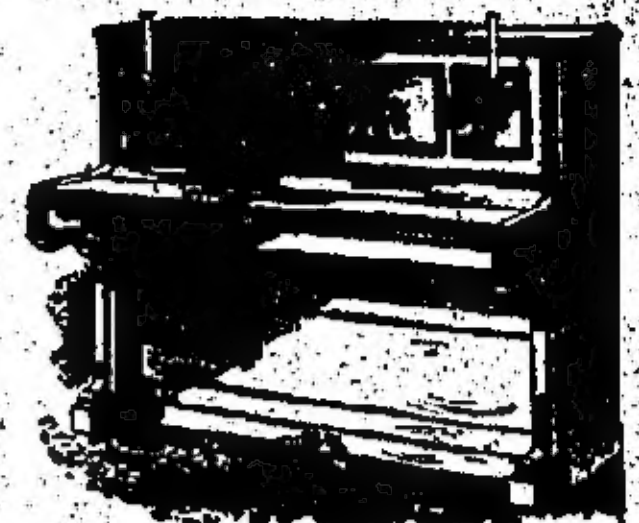
(From Our Correspondent.)

Wuchow is now being visited by one of the most severe floods of recent years. During the past two days the water has risen rapidly and most of the mulberry and paddy fields are several feet under water. Hastily improvised rafts are floating over the tops of what once were houses and walls. Above the town, the main river forms a continuous sheet of water nearly two miles broad. Perhaps the greatest distress has been caused by the Fu tributary which is also in flood and swollen to many times its usual size. Several houses have been washed away. I myself saw the remains of three swept by in less than ten minutes. The fact that many chairs and tables were to be seen among the debris is a proof that the flood came with such suddenness as to prevent the people living on the river bank from removing their property, therefore their loss bore considerable loss of life. Native reports place the number of deaths at about one hundred.

## STRANGE REPORT FROM KOREA.

A Seoul telegram to the "Mainichi" dated June 14 states that it has been decided that all the possessions of the Korean Imperial Household property shall be made national property. Believing that this means that the property of the Imperial Household is to be confiscated, the Court officials are in a state of panic, the connection being greater than any that has occurred since the disbandment of the Korean Army. They are said to be employing witnes to make incantations to prevent the carrying out of the proposal. The panic is due to the fear on the part of a large number of officials who get a living under the pretext of protecting the property of the Imperial Household that they will lose their livelihoods. The message adds that there is severe friction between the Prime Minister and the Home Minister, and that the former desired to make the Emperor-Father believe that the Home Minister was responsible for the action in regard to the property. At a Cabinet Council held on the 15th, the Prime Minister insisted that he should enjoy the privilege of appointing and dismissing at his own will one half of the local Governors. The Home Minister strongly objected to this proposal and Prince Go refused to sanction it.

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Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo (e)	Melchers & Co.	About June 26
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Manila	Yuenang (e)	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	June 26, at Noon
Manila	Zuifu (e)	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	June 3, at 4 a.m.
Manila	Rubi (e)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	June 27, at Noon

Manila	Team (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 23, at 4 p.m.
Manila, A'lan Ports.	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 30, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles, v. Saigon.	Tonkin (s)	Butterfield & Swire	June 27, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles, London etc.	Palermo (s)	Messageries Maritimes	June 23, at 1 p.m.
Mar., L'odon & A'erpdc	Namur (s)	C. & O. S. S. Co.	June 24, Daylight.
New York	Saint George (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About July 1.
San Francisco v. Japan	Americo Mara (s)	Dodwell & Co. Ltd	About July 8.
		Town, Kien & Co.	

San Francisco to Japan	China (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	July 4, Daylight
San Francisco to Japan	Manchuria (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	July 11, at Noon
San Francisco to Japan	Nippon Maru (a)	Pacific S.S. Co.	July 18, at Noon
San Francisco to Japan	Asia (a)	Do. O. S.S. Co.	July 24, at Noon
San Francisco to Japan	Mongolia (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Aug. 1, at Noon
San Francisco to Japan	Manchuria (a)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Aug. 8, at Noon
S'tow, Amoy & Ningpo	Shibetsu Maru (a)	Nippon Yusen K. Ka.	July 11, at Noon
Sourabaya	Shibetsu Maru (a)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	July 18, at Noon
S'tow, Amoy & Pusan	Joshin Maru (a)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	July 24, at 10 a.m.
S'hai, N'ki, Kobi, Yme	Prinz Ludwig (a)	Malacca S.S. Co.	July 26, at 9 a.m.
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Shanghai	Ewingsang (a)	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	about July 25.
Shanghai	Shaohsing (a)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	about June 25.
S'pore, Penang & Otta	Fooksang (a)	Butterfield & Swire	June 23 at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Pan, Calcutta	Chatherine Apear (a)	Butterfield, Messon & Co., Ltd.	June 27, at Noon
S'tow, Amoy & P'ohm	Haiching (a)	D. Saxe & Co., Ltd.	June 23 at Noon
Shanghai & Chinkiang	Shansi (a)	Douglas Lamport & Co.	June 23, at Noon
		Butterfield & Swire	June 23, at Noon

Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tramont (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	June 29, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Suvero (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	July 21,
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Kumeric (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	July 23,
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	August 19,
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c	Empress of Japan(s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	Sept. 12,
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c	Monteagle (s)	Canadian P&R Co.	July 4 at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P&R Co.	July 11, at Noon
		Canadian P&R Co.	

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

	PLATES	1920,000	up,	Cash,
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	1,000,000	£ 185	all	£755, sellers
Nations Bank of China, Limited ..	99,225	£ 7	2	£27,10
Yantraz Insurance Co., Ltd.	100,000	£ 80	35	£61, buyers
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.,	10,000	£ 50	50	£256, sellers
China Trade Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 39	35	£89, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	19,000	£ 5	5	£71, 75, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Limited ..	10,000	£ 250	100	£79,0, sellers
Yantraz Insurance Association Ltd.	12,000	£ 100	60	£317
FIRE INSURANCE				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	22,000	£ 100	20	£33, sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	3,000	£ 250	50	£31, sales & buyers
DOCKS, ETC				
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 50	all	£105, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited ..	16,000	£ 25	35	£9, sellers

New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	84	\$ 64	\$97, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ltd.	55,760	119, 100	Tai100	Tai. 80, sellers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	31,000	85	\$ 25	\$15, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	30,000	50	all	\$34, buyers
H. K. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	30,000	15	\$ 15	\$23, sellers

Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$22	sales
	10,000	10	10	\$22	sales
Shen Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	10	5	\$15	sales
Toku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,600	1	1	48	sales
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls.	60	Tls. 50	Tls. 47
do. Preference.	100,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 42

China Sugar Company, Limited.....	\$9,000	\$	100	all	\$153½, sellers
Luxon Sugar Company, Limited.....	7,000	\$	160	all	\$22½, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd. ....	7,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 62½
TRAFFIC.					
H. K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.....	60,000		50	all	\$61, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.....	32,000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 237½
LAND AND BUILDING.					
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.....	50,000	\$	100	100	\$92, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited.....	75,000	Tls.	50	Tls. 63	Tls. 124
Kowloon Land and Building Company.....	6,000	\$	50	\$ 30	\$26, sales
Harbour Land & Building Co.....	3,874	Tls.	25	Tls. 25	Tls. 3
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.....	10,000	\$	50	50	\$16, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited.....	12,000	\$	50	all	\$45, sellers
TRAFFIC.					

The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.....	60,000	\$	10	\$	1	\$2, well
MINING.						
Société Française des Charbon- nages du Tonkin .....	18,000	Fcs.	250	all	2570	buyers
Rand Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	200,000	\$	1	18/10	375	of ore
HOTELS, ETC.						
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. ...	12,000	\$	50	all	295	sellers

AMERICAN COMPANIES		AMERICAN COMPANIES		AMERICAN COMPANIES		AMERICAN COMPANIES	
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	30,600	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Watkins Limited	10,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
HONGKONG							
H. K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	7,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
HONGKONG							
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	100,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
K. M. Milling, Co., Ltd., in Liquidation	10,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Sell's Asbestos Eastern Agency	8,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
United Commercial Agency, Limited	100,000	10	10	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
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Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	75	all	119 1/2	buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	25	all	63 1/2	sales & buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	16,350	2	20	71 1/2	365
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	30,000	40	all	235	buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	126,000	10	10	111	sales
Bow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	30,000	Ts.	50	Ts.	66
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	Ts.	75	Ts.	63
Loan-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	2,000	Ts.	100	Ts.	100
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	Ts.	100	Ts.	100
China Provident Loan Mortgage	300,000	\$	31	\$	10

China Service Company, Ltd.	85,100	12	12	1107	sales
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	10	all	315	
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000	10	10	85	
	8,000				
South China Morning Post	6,000	25	25	323	buyers
China Light and Power Company	50,000	10	10		
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	50,000	1	1	464	buyers
	20,000	1	1		

Wellsfleet Ltd 1886	178	10	100	1250	by 80%
GOULD CONSULTING					
Philippine Co., Limited	67,500	10	10	88	all 80%
Alhambra Limited	800	500	50	50	Nonlocal
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LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Guarantee.	
Chinese Imperial 1886	£ 787,900	£ 250	7	p. annum	P
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VERNON and SMYTH, Share Brokers.					
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